



Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy Volunteer Waiver

Property, County, State: Cataloochee Ranch, Haywood County, NC

Date of Volunteer Activities: Saturday, July 28, 2012

Crew Leader: Hanni Muerdter, Allison Kiehl, Margot Wallston, Chris Coxen

Description of Volunteer Stewardship Activities: Using hand tools to open up early successional forest edge for songbird habitat, invasive species removal, trail maintenance, water bar construction and repair, and erosion control.

VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY - STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES FOR THE SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN HIGHLANDS CONSERVANCY

In consideration of my participation as a volunteer member of a work crew of The Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy ("Conservancy") performing stewardship activities, I agree as follows:

1. I will follow the instructions of the crew leader.
2. I understand the proper operation of the equipment I am to use. I understand that my participation in this work may involve sustained strenuous physical activity.
3. I am familiar with and understand the proper techniques for use of the chemicals described above in a safe and effective way. I understand that I will be applying those chemical and I am aware of any health risks associated with the use of these chemicals. I agree to take proper precautions in using these chemicals to minimize the health risks to myself and others. Following application, I agree to store or dispose of any remaining chemicals in accordance with the directions of the Conservancy and any applicable laws and regulations.
4. I am in good health and I am aware of no physical problem or condition which will limit or interfere with my ability to participate as a member of the crew under either predicted or emergency conditions. I also understand that medical attention may not be readily available.
5. I understand that the stewardship activities may involve dangerous activities or situations. I agree that I am participating on the crew at my own risk, and acknowledge that the Conservancy has made no warranty or representation, express or implied, regarding the safety of conducting this work for the Conservancy.
6. I understand that I am not an employee of the Conservancy and that I will receive no compensation or other employment-related benefits from the Conservancy.
7. On behalf of myself, my heirs, successors and assigns, I hereby forever release, indemnify and hold the Conservancy, its officers, directors, employees and agents, harmless from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, costs and expenses arising from or in any way related to, my service as a volunteer. I intend this release to be effective, regardless of whether the claim of liability is asserted in negligence, strict liability in tort, or other theory of recovery.
8. As a volunteer for the Conservancy, I acknowledge that I may have access to confidential and privileged information and materials obtained through my affiliation with the Conservancy. I shall not share any such information or materials with anyone within or outside the organization not intended to receive them. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - Specific location of "closed" preserves, which might lead to unauthorized visits;
 - Specific location of rare plants or animals, which might lead to unauthorized collecting;
 - Information about conservation planning priorities.
9. I grant the Conservancy permission to take photographs and video recordings of me and to display, publish or otherwise use any photographs, video recording, or any other media associated with the stewardship activities, including any media which contains my image or likeness, for the Conservancy's purposes. I also consent to the use of my name in connection with such images. I release, indemnify and hold harmless the Conservancy and its officers, directors, agents and employees from any and all claims which may result at any time by reason of the use of my



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image and name, including, without limitation, claims of privacy. My heirs, executors, administrators and assigns shall be bound by this consent and release.

- 10. I understand that I do not have to participate in any activity that I do not feel comfortable performing, and that it is my responsibility to inform SAHC if I feel uncomfortable performing a particular task.
- 11. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have thoroughly read and understand this form and that the statements I have made in it are all true, and that I am at least 18 years of age or, if I am not 18 years of age, the signature and consent of my parent or legal guardian is included below.

Volunteer's Signature: _____

Volunteer's Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Emergency Contact : _____

Acknowledgment by Crew Leader

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have thoroughly reviewed this form with the volunteer named above

 Signature of Crew Leader Date

PARENTAL CONSENT FOR PARTICIPATION BY MINORS

I am the parent or legal guardian of _____, who has my permission to participate in the volunteer stewardship activities described above. I make all of the representations and agree to all of the terms specified above with respect to my child's or ward's participation in these activities.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Mailing address:
Street / P.O. Box _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone numbers: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

E-mail: _____

*** contact information will not be used for any purpose other than to inform TNC volunteers about upcoming events***